

House Resolution No. 874

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on March 21, 1907, Eula Lee Niswonger will celebrate her One Hundred First Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities that come from growing up with two sisters and three brothers, Eula Niswonger established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to Ray Homer Niswonger who loved and cherished her with all of his heart for fifty-three years; and

Whereas, the marital union of Eula and Ray Niswonger has been blessed with seven wonderful children, twenty-four grandchildren, thirty-eight great-grandchildren, twenty-one great-great-grandchildren, and one great-great-great-grandson; and

Whereas, Eula Niswonger worked for the Jackson shoe factory, the Shively's dry goods store, and a garment factory in Scott City and has survived serious health problems in her life, including being severely burned as a child and having tuberculosis, typhoid fever, and Saint Louis Encephalitis as an adult; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Eula Niswonger enjoys a life that encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Eula Niswonger:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the One Hundred First Birthday of Eula Niswonger and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Eula Lee Niswonger of Jackson, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Scott A. Lipke
District No. 157

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 874, adopted February 28, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker